

6A
Bul
4.25.01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARKS OFFICE

In re Application of:

SMITH, Jeffrey Allen et. al.

Serial No.: 09/262,056

Filed: March 4, 1999

Title: Method and System for Transmitting Texture Information Through
Communications Networks

Our Docket: T8464287US

Examiner: Harrison, Chante'

Tel: (703) 305-3937

Fax: (703) 305-9051

Art Unit: 2672

To: The Commissioner of Patents and Trade-Marks
Washington, D.C. 20231
U.S.A.

23 April 2001

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Office Action mailed November 22, 2000 as Paper Number 4, and is accompanied by a Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time, thereby extending the due date for responding to the Office Action until April 23, 2001.

Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP

Barristers & Solicitors

Patent & Trade Mark Agents

GOWLINGS

Suite 4900
Commerce Court West
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M5L 1J3
Telephone (416) 862-7525
Facsimile (416) 862-7661
www.gowlings.com

Robert Graham
Direct (416) 862-4425
Assistant (416) 862-3579
grahamr@gowlings.com

Facsimile

Please deliver immediately

To Examiner Chante' HarrisonFirm U.S. Patent OfficeCity/Country Washington, DCFax (703) 305-9724Telephone (703) 305-3937Date April 24, 2001Re U.S. Patent Application 09/262,056File T8464287USTotal Pages Sent (including cover memorandum) 22CopyTrak # 2087


- ☐ Return Fax Direct
☐ Original Sent by Mail

Message

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademarks Office on the date shown below.

Robert J. Graham, Registration No. 43,430



April 24, 2001

If there is a problem with transmission or all pages are not received, please call Morag Dowell at (416) 862-7525 extension 3579 for retransmission. This message is intended only for the use of the individual or entity to which it is addressed, and may contain information that is privileged, confidential and exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, or the employee or agent responsible for delivering the message to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us immediately by telephone (call us collect), and return the original to us by postal service at the address noted above. Thank you.

Montreal

Ottawa

Toronto

Hamilton

Waterloo Region

Calgary

Vancouver

Moscow

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARKS OFFICE

In re Application of:

SMITH, Jeffrey Allen et. al.

Serial No.: 09/262,056

Filed: March 4, 1999

Title: Method and System for Transmitting Texture Information Through
Communications Networks

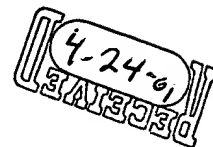
Our Docket: T8464287US

Examiner: Harrison, Chante'

Tel: (703) 305-3937

Fax: (703) 305-9051

Art Unit: 2672

To: The Commissioner of Patents and Trade-Marks
Washington, D.C. 20231
U.S.A.

OFFICIAL

24 April 2001

Dear Sir:

The attached RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION was sent for facsimile transmission to Examiner Chante Harrison at the USPTO on April 23, 2001 at facsimile number (703) 305-9724. There was no response from the intended USPTO recipient facsimile machine.

The attached RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION was sent for facsimile transmission to Primary Examiner Mathew Luu at the USPTO on April 23, 2001 at facsimile number (703) 308-6606. There was no response from the intended recipient USPTO facsimile machine.

The attached RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION was sent for facsimile transmission to Supervisor Mark Powell at the USPTO on April 23, 2001 at facsimile number (703) 308-5359. There was no response from the intended recipient USPTO facsimile machine.

The Applicant's Patent Agent has attached hereto copies of the facsimile transmission confirmation sheets for each attempted facsimile transmission.

To test the operation of the facsimile machines of the Applicant's Patent Agent, the attached RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION was sent for facsimile transmission over the public telephone network on April 23, 2001 between facsimile machines of the Applicant's Patent Agent, using facsimile number (416) 862-7661. The attached RESPONSE was successfully transmitted and received at the facsimile machines of the Applicant's Patent Agent. The Applicant's Patent Agent has attached hereto copies of the facsimile transmission confirmation sheet for this latter facsimile transmission.

From the foregoing, it will be apparent that aforementioned USPTO facsimile machines were inoperable on April 23, 2001. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests that, for the purpose of extension fee payable, the attached RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION be considered to have been duly received by the USPTO on April 23, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Graham
Reg No. 43,430

INTELLECTUAL_PROP\283978_1
April 24, 2001

Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP | Barristers & Solicitors | Patent & Trade Mark Agents

GOWLINGS

Suite 4900
Commerce Court West
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M5L 1J3
Telephone (416) 862-7525
Facsimile (416) 862-7661
www.gowlings.com

Robert Graham
Direct (416) 862-4425
Assistant (416) 862-3579
grahamr@gowlings.com

Facsimile

Please deliver immediately

To Examiner Chante' HarrisonFirm U.S. Patent OfficeCity/Country Washington, DCFax (703) 305-9051 305-9724Telephone (703) 305-3937Date April 23, 2001Re U.S. Patent Application 09/262,056File T8464287USTotal Pages Sent (including cover memorandum) 15CopyTrak #2087

- ☐ Return Fax Direct
☐ Original Sent by Mail

Message

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademarks Office on the date shown below.

Robert J. Graham, Registration No. 43,430



April 23, 2001

If there is a problem with transmission or all pages are not received, please call Morag Dowell at (416) 862-7525 extension 3579 for retransmission. This message is intended only for the use of the individual or entity to which it is addressed, and may contain information that is privileged, confidential and exempt from disclosure under applicable law. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, or the employee or agent responsible for delivering the message to the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us immediately by telephone (call us collect), and return the original to us by postal service at the address noted above. Thank you.

Montreal

Ottawa

Toronto

Hamilton

Waterloo Region

Calgary

Vancouver

Moscow